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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application No.	09/813,386
Filing Date	March 20, 2001
First Named Inventor	Christopher R. Uhlik
Art Unit	2686
Examiner Name	Naghme Mehrpour
Attorney Docket Number	15685P093

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted  
i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on September 24, 2003  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).  
ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
b. ☒ Enclosed  
i. ☐ Amendment/Reply  
ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

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2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) required)  
b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.  
i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) and any additional claims fee(s)  
ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 1.17)  
iii. ☐ Other: (\$0.00)  
b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$970.00 enclosed  
c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

Name (Print/Type)	Gregory D. Caldwell	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	39,926
Signature		Date	November 7, 2003

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.  
**November 7, 2003**

Name (Print/Type)	Deborah L. Higham	Date	November 7, 2003
Signature			